THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) Total number of small scale units was estimated to be 20.82 lakhs till 1991-92. The information on number of functioning units is not maintained. The capital investment on Plant and Machinery till 1991-92 was estimated at Rs. 11691.64 crores.

(c) The percentage of sick units was 11.80 during 1991-92 as reported by the Reserve Bank of India. RBI data on sick SSI units, however, also includes traditional industries, such as, handloom, handicraft, KVI etc.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Coir Technology Park

1383. SHRI BRAHMAKUMAR BHATT: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been setting up Coir Technology Parks in Gujarat;

(b) the details thereof; and

(c) the action plan of the Government of Gujarat?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Schemes for downtrodden in Khadi and Village Industries

1384. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes launched by Khadi and Village Industries Commission for providing self-employment to the handicapped, Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Minorities, Backward and poor people living below the poverty line in the country particularly in the State of U.P.;

(b) if so, the details of families benefited under the schemes during the last three years in the country, district-wise/year-wise; and